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Applicants: Rosen, et al.

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Examiner:

Nolan

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment addresses the Office Actions dated December 18, 2001 & April 16, 2002. Applicant Petitions for an Extension of Time of TWO MONTHS, up to and including May 20, 2002, for the filing of this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 13-2755 for the Petition fee and any other fee(s) required to effect this Petition.

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